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REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the careful attention accorded to the instant application.

Regarding the objection to the specification, applicants respectfully request the requirement to correct line 34 and the last line on each page be corrected with a substitute specification upon such time that allowance of one or more claims is indicated. For the Examiner's reference, the specification of this case is identical to that of US Patent No. 6677858, which claims priority to the same application as the present case.

Regarding the objection to claim 376, correction has been made by this amendment.

Regarding the rejections of claims 374-379 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, the claims have been amended to overcome this rejection

The Examiner has rejected all of the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over various combinations of U.S. Patent No. 6,317,500 to Murphy ("Murphy"), U.S. Patent No. 6,104,815 to Alcorn et al. (Alcorn) and U.S. Patent No. 6,522,875 to Dowling et al. ("Dowling")

It is respectfully submitted that Claims 374-379 are pending and have been amended to overcome any rejections based on the above discussed references.

The main reference used by the Examiner, Murphy, has been overcome by various amendments herein and arguments presented.

Regarding claim 374, 376, 377 and 378, the claim has been amended to recite that the download time and the decryption time are different. This feature is not taught by Murphy, as Murphy decrypts an incoming encrypted signal (see. e.g., col. 8, lines 9-19). Further, regarding claim 379, the claim includes the feature that of "access[ing] prestored encrypted content that was downloaded over a global network within a memory device of said network computing device". Again, Murphy deals with decrypting transmitted signals, not decrypting stored content upon meeting time and space coordinate parameters. One key advantage of the method and system of the present claims not taught or suggested by Murphy is

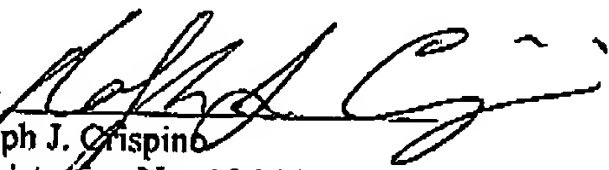
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the inherent ability to overcome network latency, as the content is already stored in memory of the network device in the present claims.

Similarly, Alcorn is directed to a method and apparatus using geographical position and universal time determination means to provide authenticated, secure, on-line communication between remote gaming locations. Therefore, the teaching of Alcorn and Murphy, alone or in combination, to not render unpatentable the present claims 374-379.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims 374-379 are now in condition for allowance. Early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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